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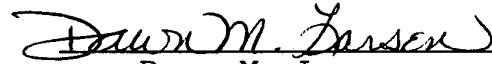
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RESPONSE TO THE NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS  
OF REISSUE APPLICATION DATED JUNE 28, 2004

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Sir:

This is in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Reissue Application dated June 28, 2004.

Enclosed is an executed Reissue Application Declaration by the Inventor. A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Reissue Application is also enclosed.

Response to Notice to File  
Missing Parts of Reissue Application

Appln. No. 10/821,279

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July 20, 2004

A check in the amount of \$65 is enclosed to cover the surcharge required under 37 CFR 1.16(e).

The Notice to File Missing Parts of Reissue Application indicates that an additional fee of \$43 is required for additional claim fees. The original patent issued with 24 claims, 2 of which were independent. A Preliminary Amendment added 17 additional claims, 4 of which were independent. As can be seen by the enclosed copy of the fee calculation sheet filed with the reissue application, applicant has satisfied the payment of additional claim fees in the reissue application. If 24 claims were originally paid for and 17 additional claims were added, the number of added claims not previously paid for is 17 (17 claims X \$9 = \$153). If only 2 independent claims were originally accounted for and 6 additional independent claims were added, the number of independent claims not previously paid for is 3 (3 claims X \$43 = \$129). The filing fee for a small entity is \$385, plus the combined claim fees of \$282 equal the submitted amount of \$667.

Should the Patent Office find fault with the above calculations, it is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account 19-5424 in the amount of \$43. A duplicate of this authorization is enclosed for charging purposes should it be necessary.

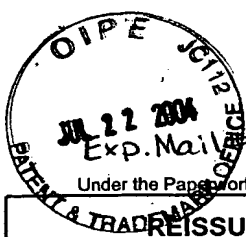
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REISSUE APPLICATION FEE TRANSMITTAL FORM						Docket Number	
Claims as Filed - Part 1							
Claims in Patent		Number Filed in Reissue Application	(3) Number Extra	Small Entity		Other than a Small Entity	
				Rate	Fee		Rate
(A) 24	Total Claims (37 CFR 1.16(i))	(B) 41	**** 17 =	x \$ 9 =	\$153	or	x \$
(C) 2	Independent claims (37 CFR 1.16(i))	(D) 6	* 3 =	x \$ 43 =	\$129		x \$
Basic Fee (37 CFR)					\$385		
Total Filing Fee					\$667		
Claims as Amended - Part 2							
(1) Claims Remaining After Amendment		(2) Highest Number Previously Paid For	(3) Extra Claims Present	Small Entity		Other than a Small Entity	
				Rate	Fee		Rate
Total Claims (37 CFR 1.16(i))		***	MINUS **	=	x \$ 9 =	\$0	x \$ 18 = \$0
Independent Claims (37 CFR 1.16(i))		***	MINUS *****	=	x \$ 43 =	\$0	x \$ 86 = \$0
Total Additional Fee					\$0	OR	\$0

\* If the entry in (D) is less than the entry in (C), Write "0" in column 3.  
\*\* If the "Highest Number of Total Claims Previously Paid For" is less than 20, Write "20" in this space.  
\*\*\* After any cancellation of claims.  
\*\*\*\* If "A" is greater than 20, use (B - A); if "A" is 20 or less, use (B - 20).  
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☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.  
☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_.  
A duplicate copy of this sheet is \_\_\_\_\_.  
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A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.  
☒ A check in the amount of \$ 667 to cover the filing / additional fee is enclosed.  
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April 8, 2004	
Date	Signature of Applicant, Attorney or Agent of Record
40,954	John A. Chionchio
Registration Number, if applicable	Typed or printed name

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.16. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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CONFIRMATION NO. 1043

## FORMALITIES LETTER



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Date Mailed: 06/28/2004

## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF REISSUE APPLICATION

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this reissue application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- An abstract of the technical disclosure not exceeding 150 words in length and commencing on a separate sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 1.72(b) is required. An abstract was not provided for this application.

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Additional claim fees of \$43 as a small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.

**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is **\$108** for a Small Entity

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- \$65 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

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- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is **\$43**

- \$43 for 4 independent claims over the original patent.

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